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HARYANA GOVERNMENT

AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 19th December, 2024

No. 1481-Agri.II(1)2024/8749.—

Subject: Minimum Support Price for purchase of all the MSP notified crops in the State of Haryana.

The Council of Minister in its meeting held on 05.08.2024 decided to purchase of Ragi, Soybean, Nigerseed, Safflower, Barley, Maize, Jowar, Jute, Copra and Summer Moong at Minimum Support Price in addition to the crops already being procured i.e. Paddy, Bajra, Kharif Moong, Urd, Arhar, Til, Cotton, Groundnut, Wheat, Mustard, Gram, Masur, Sunflower and Sugarcane . The Governor of Haryana is pleased to notify these crops for procurement in the State at Minimum Support Price announced by Govt. of India.

The Guidelines for purchase/procure of said crops at MSP:

The prices of agricultural commodities are inherently unstable, primarily due to fluctuation in production, variation in their supply, and lack of timely availability of market-related information. A very good harvest in any year results in a sharp fall in the price of that commodity during that year, which has an adverse impact on the future supply as farmers withdraw from sowing that crop in the next/following years. Assurance of a remunerative and stable price environment for growers/farmers is very important for increasing farmers' income, agricultural production and productivity. The market price for agricultural produce often tends to be unstable and volatile, which may result in drastic losses to the farmers and discourage the adoption of modern technologies.

To protect the interests of the farmers against any sharp decline in the prices of agricultural produce, the Government has been following the agricultural price support system. A Government guaranteed MSP to farmers is expected to cover the cost of production together with certain profit margin to them. The MSP is fixed and announced every year (Kharif and Rabi) by the Government of India on the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Cost and Prices (CACP). In formulating the recommendation for the level of the MSP and other non-price measures, the Commission takes into account many factors like the cost of production, changes in input price, crop price parity, trends in market price, demand and supply, effect on cost of living, international price situation, etc.

The Central Government's price policy for agricultural commodities seeks to ensure remunerative prices to the farmers for their produce to increase their profitability through higher production. The Government of India considers the recommendation of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) and accordingly fixes the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for 23 crops i.e. Paddy, Bajra, Jowar, Maize, Ragi, Arhar, Moong (Kharif and Summer), Urd, Groundnut, Soybean, Sunflower, Til, Nigerseed, Cotton, Wheat, Barley, Gram, Lentil, Mustard, Safflower, Jute, Copra and Sugarcane each year. In addition, Fair and Remunerative Prices (FRP) for sugarcane are

also fixed to protect the income of sugarcane farmers. The Govt. implements procurement operations of MSP for the notified agricultural commodities through various public agencies such as the Food Corporation of India (FCI), the Cotton Corporation of India (CCI), the Jute Corporation of India (JCI), Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC), and cooperatives such as National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation (NAFED), National Consumer Cooperative Federation (NCCF).

The Central Government purchases 100% of paddy and wheat. The cotton is purchased 100% by the Cotton Corporation of India whenever the market price is less than the MSP of cotton. For sugarcane, the State Advised Price (SAP) is fixed by the State Government every year, which is always more than the FRP fixed by the Government of India. The sugarmills in the state are subsidized by the state government for making sugarcane purchases at the SAP. The Oilseeds crops such as Groundnut, Til, Copra, Soybean, Nigerseed, Sunflower, Mustard, Safflower and Pulses crops Moong (Kharif and Summer), Urad, Arhar, Gram and Masur are covered under the Price Support Scheme of the Government of India, in which GoI allows purchases of 25% of the produce at their cost. The state government purchases the remaining 75 % of the produce. The State Govt. provided the price difference in Bajra through the Bhavantar Bharpai Yojana during Kharif 2021 to Kharif 2023.

The crops like Ragi, Soybean, Nigerseed, Safflower, Jute and Copra are not sown in Haryana. The market price of maize is usually higher than the MSP. The state had purchased maize in 2018-19, 2020-21, and 2021-22. The state government had never purchased Barley as the market price is usually higher than the MSP fixed. The market prices of Arhar, Urd ,Til, Jowar also remains higher than MSP fixed. The procurement of all notified crops will be undertaken at Minimum Support Price announced by Government of India only from eligible registered farmers on Meri Fasal Mera Bayora Portal.

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